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The New York Times
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Washington, DC 20006

Re: Freedom of Information Act - EPA-HQ-2018-001610/**Request for Clarification/Modify**

Dear Mr. Lipton:

Thank you for your inquiry to the Freedom of Information Office in the Office of Pesticide Programs (OPP) for the following:

All correspondence between Director of the Office of Pesticide Programs Richard Keigwin and any member of the following companies or organizations (domain names included to help expedite the query):

Dow Chemical: "@dow.com"
Dow AgroSciences: "@dowagro.com"
American Chemistry Council: "@americanchemistry.com"
Bayer Crop Sciences: "@bayer.com"
Cornerstone Government Affairs, Inc: "@cgagroup.com"
Akin Gump Strauss Hauer & Feld: "@akingump.com"
James Callan Associates LLC: "jamescallan@msn.com " OR "jamescallan1@gmail.com "
Gephardt Government Affairs: "@gephardtdc.com"
Cloakroom Advisors: "@cloakroomadvisors.com"
Cassidy and Associates, Inc: "@cassidy.com"
Capitol Counsel: "@capitolcounsel.com"
Greenberg Traurig, LLP: "@gtlaw.com"
Prime Policy Group: "@prime-policy.com"
Raffaniello & Associates: "@lobbydc.com"
Sobba Public, LLC: "asobba@gmail.com "
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Squire Patton Boggs: "@squirepb.com"
Syngenta Corporation: "@syngenta.com"
International Business-Government Counsellors, Inc.: "@IBGC.COM"
BASF: "@basf.com"
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The Washington Tax & Public Policy Group: @washingtontaxgroup.com”
The Russell Group, Inc.: “@russellgroupdc.com”
SBL Strategies, LLC: “shannon@efficientbiz.net ”
Polaris Government Relations: “ mward@wardlawless.com ”
Baker & Hostetler LLP: “@bakerlaw.com”
CGCN GROUP, LLC: “@cgcen.com”
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We appreciate you were able to provide us the names and emails address for the people listed in your Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request letter. In order for us to process this request, we will need for you to specify the time period in which you require the Agency to search for the any responsive records. We would like to provide you the opportunity to clarify the records that you are seeking.

EPA’s FOIA regulations state:

“Whenever possible, your request should include specific information about each record sought, such as the date, title or name, author, recipient, and subject matter. If known, you should include any file designations or descriptions for the records that you want. The more specific you are about the records or type of records that you want, the more likely EPA will be able to identify and locate records responsive to your request.”
40 C.F.R. § 2.102(c).

Please feel free to contact me to discuss clarifying or narrowing the scope of this request. This FOIA request is tolled until we receive your clarification or modification. Please respond to this request for clarification or modification within ten calendar days from the date of this letter. Once we receive your clarification or modification, we will continue processing your FOIA request.

If you have any questions, please contact me on 703-305-5456 (8:00 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.) or email me at ingram.earl@epa.gov or I can call you at your convenience. Refer to the request number when contacting me.

Sincerely,



Earl Ingram, Chief
Public Information and Records Integrity Branch
Information Technology and Resources Management Division
Office of Pesticide Programs